

JOHN MCCAIN

September 29, 2008

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Dear Friend,

The choice America will face on November 4^h is very clear.

It will be a choice between one of most liberal governments in modern history, or a government dedicated to upholding long-held conservative principles of limited government, strong national defense and individual freedom.

And if I have learned anything in these past months of traveling across America, listening to the citizens of our great nation it is this:

Victory will only come when we Republicans unite around our core principles of individual freedom, small government and unflagging dedication to defending our nation that I believe, you and I and most Americans hold in common.

Now, with only 36 days remaining before the ballots are cast in this extraordinarily important election for our country, it is essential for all of us to join together and fight to win.

It is no secret that ever since Barack Obama broke his personal promise to the American people and refused to abide by presidential campaign spending limits that the Obama Democrats have been raising enormous sums of money. They will rely on their massive fundraising machine and other national liberal Democratic groups like MoveOn.org, and the Democratic National Committee, to spend and do whatever it takes to bring our candidates down.

From here on out the full scope and power of the Democrats' relentless and battle-tested money churning engine is aimed at one target: Capturing total control of our government.

That's why we have established McCain-Palin Victory 2008 - a joint fundraising committee with the Republican National Committee that has been created to raise the funds needed to battle back against the Obama Democrats.

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Today I am reaching out to you to ask you to sign and return the enclosed 2008 Pledge of Support along with a campaign contribution of \$35, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,500 or even \$5,000 to the McCain-Palin Victory 2008.

As we have already witnessed, this has been an extremely tough, hard-fought campaign, and it will be to the very end.

In recent years, elections have been fought within the margins of small differences. This one clearly will not be. The differences between our Republican candidates and that of the Obama Democrats could not be greater. And we intend to fight as hard as we can to ensure that our principles prevail.

On issue after issue, never in recent memory has there been such a stark difference in the direction the candidates want to lead America.

The Obama Democrats continue to show weak judgment by stubbornly refusing to acknowledge the success of the surge strategy in Iraq and clinging to their reckless and unconditional timeline for withdrawal.

We intend to win the war. Iraq is truly the test of a generation, for America and for our role in the world. We will finish the Iraq war with victory and bring our troops home with honor when the mission is truly accomplished. We will apply our successful tactics in Afghanistan and see that conflict through to success. And we will promote freedom and democracy throughout the world.

The Obama Democrats will increase the size of the federal government.

We Republicans plan to reduce it. Washington's irresponsibility with your tax dollars is a national disgrace. We will continue our ongoing fight to end wasteful spending by vetoing every pork-laden spending bill, seeking the line-item veto, and rooting out the earmarks that have opened the floodgates to corruption and fiscal irresponsibility. And we will not permit any expansion whatsoever of the entitlement programs that are bankrupting us. On the contrary, we intend to reform those programs so that government is no longer in the habit of making promises to Americans it does not have the means to keep.

The Obama Democrats won't back away from the massive tax hikes they have proposed, even though we are facing serious economic difficulties.

We Republicans want to cut them. Taxes should be simple, fair and as low as possible. We will work to repeal the Alternative Minimum Tax (a tax that will be paid almost exclusively by 25 million middle class families); make the income and investment tax cuts permanent; and make it harder for Congress to raise taxes by requiring a 3/5 majority vote to raise taxes.

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The Obama Democrats will offer a big-government solution to health care coverage.

The Republican answer to providing families with quality affordable health care is to harness the power of market competition while giving Americans maximum freedom to choose the health care best suited for them. We believe big government is not the answer to rising health care costs. Big government is the problem.

The Obama Democrats will appoint to the federal bench judges who are intent on achieving political changes, federal judges who take it upon themselves to write national policy or advance a political agenda.

We will confirm judges who have proven themselves worthy of our trust and who fully understand the importance of using our nation's judiciary to interpret the U.S. Constitution and laws as written - and not to write new laws - and who can be relied upon to respect the values of the people whose rights, laws and property they are sworn to defend.

The Obama Democrats refuse to acknowledge that the price of gas is too high and oppose domestic oil drilling that will reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

We will immediately begin work to drive down the price of gas and reduce our dependence on foreign oil through domestic drilling and increased reliance on clean, safe American technologies like nuclear and wind-powered energy.

These are but a few of the differences that will define this election. They are very significant differences. And as we battle to uphold our conservative principles of government - our country's future hangs in the balance.

That is why I hope you will join in this fight by signing the enclosed Pledge of Support and returning it immediately, along with your campaign contribution of \$35, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,500 or even \$5,000 to the McCain-Palin Victory 2008.

The reason for urgency is simple.

The outcome of the November election will not be determined on the day we go to the polls. It will be determined by what we do in these final days and weeks leading up to that historic day. It will be determined by what we do - and do not do - right now.

As we witness almost daily, when the Democrats' and their liberal special interest allies turn their sights on us with vicious attacks - we must be ready.

Ready to counter the distortions, innuendoes and accusations. Ready to set the record straight. Ready, in short, to get out our message and make sure clarity and truth prevail.

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Please know this - we will not concede any region to the Democrats. We will make them fight us on their own turf because we have listened to voters all across the country and we understand that they want more than just empty words and petty partisan bickering. Americans want solutions and we are ready to deliver real reform and lasting change, not just slogans.

With your immediate support we Republicans will have the resources we need in these final days leading up to the elections to take our campaign to America's voters, present our goals and accomplishments, and outline how we will use our political leadership to solve our nation's most serious problems - and move our country toward a safe and prosperous future for all.

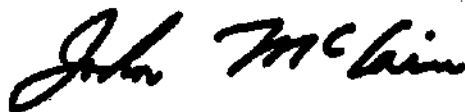
So please, sign and return your PLEDGE OF SUPPORT, along with your contribution of \$35, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,500 or even \$5,000 to the McCain-Palin Victory 2008 today.

The McCain-Palin Victory 2008 also includes the McCain-Pal in Compliance Fund, to which the federal election laws permit you to contribute up to \$2,300 to help offset the McCain-Palin 2008 campaign's legal and accounting costs incurred during the campaign. This money will also be used so the campaign doesn't have to pay legal and accounting costs from the general campaign account, which means more money for "get-out-the-vote" mailers, yard signs, bumper stickers and advertising in battleground states.

If I have the honor of continuing to serve you, I make you this promise: We will always put America - her strength, her ideals, her future - before every other consideration.

Thank you for your support of our Party and our country. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John McCain". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "McCain" clearly distinguishable.

John McCain

P.S. The outcome of the November election will not be determined on the day we go to the polls. It will be determined by what we do in these final days and weeks leading up to that historic day.

If you believe as I do that the differences between our Republican candidates and the Obama Democrats are very real and very important; and that the stakes are indeed great, then I urge you to join with us today.

Please, sign your PLEDGE OF SUPPORT and include your contribution of \$35, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,500 or even \$5,000 today. Thank you.

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PLEDGE OF SUPPORT

**Please Return By:
October 24, 2008**

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Dear John,

I agree that the choice America will face on November 4th is very clear and critically important to our nation. I share your belief that the answer to our problems lies not in the halls of big government but in the hands of the American people.

I am proud to stand with our Republican candidates as the Obama Democrats and their wealthy liberal backers focus their attacks squarely on defeating Republicans and gaining control of our government. I want to do all I can to help stop the Democrats from seizing control of Washington and implementing their radically liberal policies for our nation.

Signature:

Date:

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Dear John,

To help you stop the Obama Democrats from seizing control of the entire federal government, I am pleased to enclose a contribution in the amount of:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$5,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$2,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$_____ Other

Please make your personal check payable to: **McCain-Palin Victory 2008**

See reverse to fill out important additional information and
for credit card contributions.

You can also make your contribution online by going to
www.McCainPalinVictory2008.com/win or by calling 1-866-598-9862.

Contribution Options:

☐ Enclosed personal check payable to: **McCain-Palin Victory 2008.**

☐ Charge my personal contribution to the credit card below:

Type of credit card: ☐  ☐  ☐  ☐ 

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Amount: \$ _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

☐ My signature above verifies this contribution to McCain-Palin Victory 2008 represents my personal funds and is not drawn on an account maintained by an incorporated entity or other prohibited sources.

Contributions to McCain-Palin Victory 2008 ("Victory 2008") are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Victory 2008 allocates contributions to the Republican National Committee ("RNC"), the state parties' federal accounts, and the McCain-Palin Compliance Fund ("Compliance Fund") in conformity with federal limits. Unless a contribution would exceed federal limits or a contributor designates otherwise, Victory 2008 will divide contributions as follows:

- For Individuals - The first \$28,500 will go to the RNC, the next portion will be divided evenly between the Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Pennsylvania state parties' federal accounts up to a maximum of \$9,250 for each Committee, and the final \$2,300 will go to the Compliance Fund.
- For Federal Multicandidate PACs - The first \$ 15,000 will go to the RNC, the next portion will be divided evenly between the Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Pennsylvania state parties' federal accounts up to a maximum of \$5,000 for each Committee, and the final \$5,000 will go to the Compliance Fund.

Contributions to the Compliance Fund will be used solely for legal and accounting services to ensure compliance with federal law and not for campaign activities. Compliance funds may defray a portion of broadcast advertising, national and state office "overhead," and computer/website expenses. Contributions from corporations, labor unions, federal contractors, and foreign nationals without permanent residency status to Victory 2008 are prohibited. *Federal law requires us to report the name, address, occupation, and employer of any contributor who gives more than \$200 in an election cycle (for Compliance Fund contributions) or more than \$200 in a calendar year (for RNC and state-party contributions).

Occupation: _____

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Full Name: _____

Contributor Signature: _____

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What is the McCain-Palin Compliance Fund?

Contributions to the McCain-Palin Compliance Fund will be used solely for legal and accounting services to ensure compliance with federal law and not for campaign activities. Compliance Fund contributions may be used to pay for:

- Broadcast advertising (up to 5 percent);
- National and State office "overhead" expenses (payroll, utilities, etc.);
- Computer/website equipment and maintenance;
- Voting recounts; and
- Other federal election law legal and accounting activities.

If these costs are *not* paid from the Compliance Fund, the McCain Campaign must use limited funds from the general-election campaign account for all of these expenses. Compliance Fund contributions are useful because they preserve 100% of campaign funds for media, mail, phones, and get-out-the-vote programs.

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